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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 1733

PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 7040.0020.01

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Renato CARETTA et al. )  
Application Serial No. 09/873,330 ) Group Art Unit: 1733  
Filed: June 5, 2001 ) Examiner: Knable, G.  
For: METHOD OF MAKING A TIRE FOR )  
A VEHICLE WHEEL )

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

The items checked below are attached:

- ☒ Second Amendment After Final (29 pages);
- ☒ Petition for Extension of Time (five months) (2 pages); and
- ☒ Check in the amount of \$2,010.00 (five-month extension fee).

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: May 20, 2004

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